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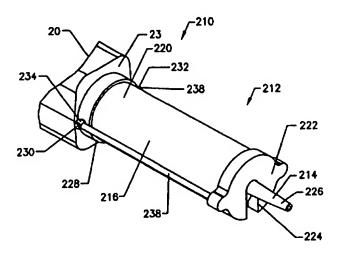
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(57) Abstract

A pressure jacket system of the invention is used to permit the front loading and removal of a syringe (214) from an injector (20), and includes a jacket cylinder (216) having an open front end (218) for receiving a syringe (214) and a rear end coupled to the injector front face (23), first and second tie rods (238, 240) having rear ends pivotally attached to the injector front face (23) by pivots and bushings (230, 234, 232, 236), and a front retaining plate (222) attached to the front ends of the first and second tie rods (238, 240), such that the retaining plate (222) and tie rods (238, 240) are pivotable between a closed position for holding the syringe (214) within the jacket cylinder (216) and an open position to allow the insertion and removal of the syringe (214) from the jacket cylinder (216).

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